

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

DAVID WIT, et al.,
Plaintiffs,
vs.
UNITED BEHAVIORAL HEALTH,
Defendant.

Case No. 14-cv-02346-JCS
Related Case No. 14-cv-05337 JCS

**[PROPOSED] ORDER GRANTING
SPECIAL MASTER'S APPLICATION
FOR LEAVE TO ENGAGE
PSYCHIATRIC CONSULTANTS**

14 GARY ALEXANDER, et al.,
15 Plaintiffs,
16 vs.
17 UNITED BEHAVIORAL HEALTH,
18 Defendant.

1 On March 8, 2021, the Special Master filed an application for leave to engage Dr. David
2 Gastfriend, M.D., and Dr. Kenneth Minkoff, M.D., as psychiatric consultants to assist him in
3 discharging his duties under the Court's January 27 Order Appointing Special Master
4 ("Appointment Order") (Wit Docket No. 528), including in overseeing and verifying the
5 development and implementation of the mandatory training program regarding faithful application
6 of appropriate coverage criteria ordered in Section IV.B.2.b. of the Court's November 3 Remedies
7 Order (Wit Docket No. 491.)

8 For the reasons set forth in the Special Master's application, the Court **GRANTS** the
9 application. The Special Master is authorized to engage Dr. David Gastfriend and Dr. Kenneth
10 Minkoff as psychiatric consultants to assist the Special Master in discharging his duties under the
11 Court's Appointment Order. General Provision No. 8 of the Appointment Order regarding
12 compensation shall apply to these psychiatric consultants. In addition, Dr. David Gastfriend and
13 Dr. Kenneth Minkoff shall comply with the Protective Order, Wit Docket No. 61, and shall
14 complete an Acknowledgment and Agreement to Be Bound (Exhibit A to the Protective Order)
15 prior to receiving any confidential materials.

16 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

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19 DATED: March 9, 2021



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22 Chief Magistrate Judge
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